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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicant(s) hereby petitions for an automatic extension of time in the <u>3rd</u> month to respond to the office action dated <u>01/22/2002</u>.

The commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct the amount of \$920.00 from Deposit Account No. 19-3195 for this extension of time. A duplicate copy of this authorization is enclosed.

In the event this petition incorrectly computes the time required for the accompanying response so that a longer extension of time is required, this petition should be interpreted as a petition for extension of time for the appropriate month. The commissioner is authorized to deduct any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 19-3195.

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